

JEWISH NATIONAL LOAN REGARDED AS A VITAL NEED

Former Member of Russian Duma Says Extinction as Entity Threatens His People as Result of War.

A national loan to save the Jewish nation was advocated this morning in a remarkable interview by Dr. Shmaryahu Levin, former member of the Russian Duma, now in this country. Doctor Levin is of the opinion that unless some immediate steps are taken to save the Jew as a nation, this war will wipe him out.

"I know that my proposition is not a popular one. Some will look upon it as different and others will oppose it emphatically. Some will even argue that it is an impossibility. We have many who are ever on guard lest a modern thought enter our Jewish conservative world. Let us not be frightened by it. The Jewish world has been destroyed by this war. Already there have come to the Jewish rich have ceased to be rich, particularly in Poland and in Galicia. It is safe to estimate that at least 5,000,000 Jews have been killed. This is our total at the end of the first six months. What will be later is still difficult to predict.

"The economic condition of the Jews in these above mentioned countries was never firm, even when at their best. A great portion of them lived by what we may almost term miracles. For today they had bread, for tomorrow—a famine would have been upon them. Now both the bread and the hope are gone.

"The more fortunate in the war zone are exerting all their efforts to help their brethren. But we take into consideration the little that was done we must conclude that it is a mere drop in the ocean.

"The main asset of a normal nation does not consist of its wealth, but of the fact that it is sole master of its future. When a catastrophe occurs the nation may pawn a part of this asset, a portion of its future—they call it a loan.

"I know that as a nation do not possess the requirements for such a loan. It has no real national asset. I fully appreciate the depth of our tragedy. Other nations do not have many individuals from whom to make large loans, but the nation per se has a definite credit. With us it is the reverse. We have individuals whose credit is good in the millions. As a nation, however, we have no credit.

"That is the fundamental difference between an organized national entity and one that is not organized. The unorganized distributes its power among the individuals.

"And, while I am aware of all this, I still make bold to offer my proposition: Is it not possible to make a loan and thus save the Jewish nation from extinction? We cannot make it in the name of our people as a whole, but we can make it in the name of the various organizations which are legally recognized and have a guaranteed income.

"If all these organizations would float a substantial loan, say for 20 or 30 years, they could get real capital and thus save thousands and hundreds of thousands from ruin. This may be a heroic deed, but let us not forget that this is a great catastrophe, and can only be met by heroic methods.

"The plan seems as difficult as it is novel, and yet it could be worked out. If we can save the bulk of the Jews in these war-infected countries, we can still have hope for the future of the Jew; otherwise it looks very dark and gloomy.

Doctor Levin was the principal speaker yesterday in the National Theatre, 19th and Callowhill streets, where \$25,000 was raised for the Jewish sufferers in the war zone.

While in the city Doctor Levin was the guest of Dr. Benjamin L. Gordon, Broad and Mifflin streets. He left this morning to address another meeting in Boston.

MORE THAN \$20,000 FOR DISTRESSED JEWS

Liberal Response to Appeal for Starving Thousands in Europe.

Fifteen hundred Philadelphia Jews, in a meeting at the National Theatre, 19th and Callowhill streets, responded liberally to the call of funds for their kindred who are starving and freezing to death in Europe. More than \$20,000 was raised in less than an hour.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the American Jewish Relief Committee, with headquarters in New York and branches throughout the country. The theatre was packed. Judge Sulzberger was chairman, and he introduced the speakers, who were Shmaryahu Levin, former member of the Russian Duma; Meyer London, of New York, Socialist Congressman-elect; Rabbi B. L. Levinthal and Harris J. Cohn, a manufacturer.

Never, they said, have the Jews been a welcome resident in Europe, but now they are trampled on every side, by armies of all nationalities and compelled to pay a bonus to each.

Twenty-five young women, members of the Friends of Mt. Sinai Hospital, acting as ushers, circulated among the audience after these addresses and each came back with a basket filled to the brim with bills and coins. There were also many cards containing large sums, which will be sent to Cyrus Adler, head of the Philadelphia branch of the American Jewish Relief Committee.

Dr. L. B. Rubinsohn, Grand Master of the Order of B'nai Shalom, announced that he would assess the members of his organization, half of whom live in Philadelphia, \$10,000; Workingmen's Circle, \$500; Order of B'nai Achim, \$100; Hyman Lodge, I. O. B. A., \$100; Chesnut Beneficial Association, \$100; Knights of Joseph, \$100; Russian Workers' Beneficial Association, \$100; Jewish Workmen's Alliance, a day's work from each member; Harris J. Cohn, \$100; and Wolf Klebanov, \$100.

There were not many large contributions, the largest being \$50, but the hundreds of smaller ones of \$5 made up the balance in yellow-backed bills.

All of the speakers discredited the rumors of Jews to America at the end of the war. "This, it was pointed out, is not possible for the Jewish youth and energy in risk a transatlantic trip.

"The survivors of this war will be neither young nor strong," said Doctor Levin. "We Jews are divided. We are weak, and we must help one another."

Business Men Hear Legal Lecture. Albert W. Shields spoke on "Partnership, the Association and How to Make a Will" at the weekly luncheon of the American Business Association today at the James Hotel. During the luncheon Dr. W. B. Bechtel gave a musical program.

MANY LECTURES THIS WEEK

Interesting Program Includes Addresses by Peck and Troop.

One of the most interesting lecture programs of the season is offered this week by the University Extension Society. This afternoon J. G. Carter Troop will speak on "The Drama of Today," in Association Hall, Germantown. He will discuss "Galsworthy's Plays," Arthur K. Peck, of Boston, will be heard in a lecture on "Paris, the Louvre and Glimpses of France," in Witherspoon Hall, tonight. The lecture will be illustrated with motion pictures.

In Griffith Hall Professor Samuel Arthur King, of Bryn Mawr College, will give the second lecture of his series on "Voice Culture," tomorrow night.

Mr. Peck will speak tomorrow night on "Historic and Rural England" in Association Hall, illustrating the subject with motion pictures. At Witherspoon Hall, Wednesday afternoon, Professor Charles Zuehlke, of Boston, will continue his series on "Prophecy I Have Met," his subject being George Bernard Shaw. Professor William Starr Myers, of Princeton, will speak on "The Far Eastern Question," Wednesday night in Griffith Hall.

NATION WILL COME TO CELEBRATE ITS NEXT 'FOURTH' HERE

State Will Be Asked to Appropriate \$50,000 for Festivities in "Birthplace of Freedom."

The nation will come to Philadelphia on July 4 next to celebrate the anniversary of the birth of American independence. Plans to hold ceremonies on an even bigger and broader scale than last year, when nearly every State in the Union participated, and to make Philadelphia the observance of Independence Day permanently of a national character are already under way.

The first move to hold annually a national celebration of the greatest of American civic days in Philadelphia, the "birthplace of freedom," will be made during the present session of the Legislature when a State appropriation of \$50,000 will be asked by business men and city officials.

This sum will be the nucleus of a fund which for the next two years, at least, will provide a celebration that will be national in character. A Federal appropriation also will be sought, and the business men of Philadelphia will contribute a large share of the funds which will be used to make the eyes of the nation turn toward Philadelphia on July 4 next.

Morris Conn, Common Councilman from the 8th Ward, who was active in arranging the Fourth of July program last year, and who is a member of Council's Legislative Committee, has prepared the request to the Legislature asking for the State appropriation.

BUSINESS MEN'S PLANS. Plans are now being made by the business men in charge of the arrangements for this year's celebration to go to Harrisburg in a special train to make the request. About 200 business men, besides a majority of the members of Common and Select Councils, will make the trip.

Before this trip is taken the members of the Philadelphia delegation to the Legislature will be asked individually to work in behalf of the appropriation. This will be done during the present recess of the Legislature, and the formal request will be made at Harrisburg soon after the Legislature reconvenes on January 18.

If the plans so far discussed for the observance of the nation's birthday anniversary in Philadelphia this year are carried out, the celebration should far surpass that of last year, when President Wilson was the orator of the day and when six Governors and a delegation of Congressmen attended, representing nearly every State in the Union.

TO INVITE WILSON TO SPEAK. Every effort will be made to have the President attend again this year, of course. In addition, every Governor in the United States will be invited, and every six Governors and a delegation of Congressmen will be asked to send an official representation.

But instead of a short program in Independence Square, the United Business Men's Association and the other organizations of business men, which are in charge of the arrangements are planning a program that will last all during the day and continue into the evening.

TAX RECEIVER TO ADOPT DUPLICATE BILLING METHOD

System Will Save Citizens Long Wait for Receipts.

When the books of the Receiver of Taxes are opened for payments of realty and school taxes for the current year Monday, January 25, the new duplicate method of billing, instituted by Receiver of Taxes Kendrick, will be adopted.

The duplicate bill is retained by the cashier of the tax office and the original bill, properly stamped, is mailed to the taxpayer. This method will obviate the necessity of the taxpayers waiting at the cashier's window until the payment is registered, as has been necessary under the single system of billing.

The new method is expected to eliminate the long waiting in line by taxpayers, especially in the last days of August and December.

OVERDUE SHIP IN PORT

Cambria King Encountered Rough Weather on Voyage.

The British steamship Cambria King arrived here today from London. For two weeks fear for the safety of the ship had been felt in the shipping district. A cablegram from London several weeks ago announced the ship had sailed November 25. When she failed to arrive on December 15 it was pointed out that she probably was struck by a floating mine.

Captain Price, of the Cambria King, explained today that all the worry and surmise about his ship's whereabouts was the result of a mistake in the transmission of the cable. The Cambria King sailed from London on December 15. During the trip she encountered rough weather.

Painters and Decorators Here

Delegates from the western part of the state are arriving to attend the convention of the House Painters and Decorators Association, which opens at the Hotel Adelphi tomorrow morning. Nicola D'Acenzo, of this city, will address the convention on famous cathedrals recently visited by him, including several now in the European war zone. Another paper will be presented by P. J. Byrne, of Pittsburgh.

Will Discuss Peace for Europe

James M. Beck, former Deputy United States Attorney General, and Dr. Stanton Coit, author and lecturer of London, will be the speakers at the meeting of the Contemporary Club to be held at the Bellevue-Stratford tomorrow at 7:15. "What Americans do to bring about peace" will be the subject discussed at the meeting.

DOUBLE MURDER REVEALS STRANGE CAREER OF WOMAN

Once Prominent Beauty Wounded After Father and Companion Are Killed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Murder, robbery and a strangely checkered past loomed up today in police investigation of the murderous assault on Mrs. Mattie Hughes, 44 years old, and the slaying of her aged father and a male companion.

Mrs. Hughes, alias Frankie Harris, once a prominent Southern beauty, lies at death's door. The murderers, two men, whose motive was robbery, are still at large. The dead men were Isaac Waldrop, Mrs. Hughes' father, and Nicholas Corfina, a Greek, companion of Mrs. Hughes on an early morning ride yesterday from this city to her elegantly furnished but secluded home in the Virginia suburbs.

Police delving today developed the fact that the Hughes woman was perhaps a victim of the Kenyon "red light law." Driven out of the segregated district, where she owned several pieces of property, she sought seclusion in Clark's Station, Va. There she maintained herself on a luxurious scale which attracted the robbers.

Investigation thus far shows they were the house when she and Corfina arrived. They attacked the party, killing the two men and seriously wounding the woman with a bullet in her breast. The house was looted, but the woman's valuable jewels upon her person were unmolested.

Mrs. Hughes, the police say, was the woman of rare beauty who, 15 years ago, stood trial for her life three times at Greenville, S. C., on a charge of killing her wealthy husband. She was finally acquitted.

Later, they assert, she assumed a masculine role and traveled extensively. At one time she was reported killed in a gambling den in Denver. Later she drifted to this city, obtained temporary employment as a waitress and then gravitated to the "red light" section, where in a few years she became owner of several valuable properties.

Her companion of the night ride, the police were told, was a business man with whom she was negotiating for transfer of a store.

INCREASE OF ARMY WILL BE CONSIDERED TONIGHT

Military Men Hopeful of Favorable Action by Senate Committee.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—In view of the agitation in Congress over the nation's preparedness for war, special interest was attached to the meeting of the Senate Military Affairs Committee tonight to consider the bills before it, providing for a special training in military and national defense. Army circles expect favorable action on measures sanctioned by Secretary Garrison.

Senator Chamberlain's bill for the establishment of a strong military reserve is among the leading measures. It provides for an enlistment term of three years and three years of reserve service, with permission for a soldier in good standing to be transferred to the reserves after one year's active training.

Increase of the army to 110,000 or possibly 125,000 enlisted men; an increase of officers to the extent of 1000 men and additional coast defenses, it is predicted, will be the eventual outcome of tonight's session. Whether the short session will permit the passage of the reserve force bill is doubtful, considering the pressure of other important legislation.

MME. TRENTINI COLLAPSES

Noted Singer Cancels Engagement on Account of Illness.

Mme. Trentini, the singer, who was appearing at the Lyric in "The Peasant Girl," is ill and the theatre will remain dark until next Monday, when Marie Tempest will open a week's engagement in a repertoire of comic operas. Mme. Trentini is not seriously ill, according to her physicians, but she must remain quiet and rest for fully a week before she can again appear.

The noted Italian singer collapsed Saturday afternoon in the second act of "The Peasant Girl."

Mme. Trentini violated her doctor's orders by appearing again Saturday evening, but at the end of the performance she was so worn that it was seen she could not hold out another week. Mme. Trentini will remain at the Ritz Carlton for several days, but hopes to go to her New York home by the middle of the week.

MERGER OF NEWSPAPERS

Springfield, Ill., News and Record Consolidated.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 11.—Announcement was made today of the purchase of the Springfield Record by J. David Stern, president of the Springfield Evening News Company and owner and publisher of the Springfield Evening News.

The new paper will be known as the Springfield News-Record, and will be independent Republican in politics. It will hold the unique position of being the only afternoon newspaper in the capital city of Illinois.

FEES FOR POLYCLINIC CLINICS

Abuse of Privileges Leads to New Policy.

Patients attending any clinic at the Polyclinic Hospital after January 15 will be required to pay for the treatment they receive. An initial charge of 25 cents will be made to all applying for treatment and a fee of 10 cents will be charged patients for each subsequent visit. Bandages and plaster casts will be sold at cost to those needing such articles, and a deposit will be required on crutches, braces and other appliances lent by the institution.

The Faculty Committee decided upon the imposition of charges because of abuse of the clinic privileges by those able to pay for the services given them. Dr. Morris Booth Miller, chairman of the committee, declared today that of the 200 "cases" treated daily a large proportion were persons of moderate means who deceived the hospital concerning their financial condition. No charge will be made in accident cases.

TO AID HAMPTON INSTITUTE

A meeting in the interest of the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, will be held in Roberts Hall, Haverford College, at 8 o'clock tonight. A star-spangled lecture on "A Trip to Tidewater Virginia" will be given and songs of the South will be sung by the Hampton Institute Quartet. "The Economic Condition of the Negro of the South and the Indian in the West" will be the subject of an address to be given by Miss Scoville.

TOMORROW AT WANAMAKER'S

The Salutation

which one meets in different parts of the world is often picturesque.

The Laplanders have a practice of rubbing their noses with the noses of the persons they salute.

In Syria the custom is graceful and pleasing—the hand is raised with a quick but gentle motion to the heart, the lips and to the head, to intimate that the person saluting is willing to serve you, to think for you, to speak for you and to act for you.

A fine old English Quaker poet used to say, "By all, all means try to be sometimes alone to salute thyself, see what thy soul doth wear, dare to look in this chest, for 'tis thine door, and tumble up and down what thou findest there."

The Syrian salutation, centuries old, is very like that in vogue today in our two Stores—where the manners of everybody show our cheerful willingness to serve you, think for you and act for you.

[Signed]

John Wanamaker

January 11, 1915

WHITE SALE



Nightgowns from the studio to the sheerest, 50c to \$16.50.

200 Women's Coats at Late-Season Prices

Plush coats of the finer sorts, one style having full sides and straps, one belted and having a natural and black racoon collar. Both are lined with dark brown satin and cost \$35.

Blue and Oxford frieze coats with plaid backs and fur collars, \$17.50.

Belted broadcloth coats with fur collars, \$18.75.

(First Floor, Central)

WHITE SALE



Plenty of blanket bathrobes, too, are in the sale.

200 Women's Brand-New Evening Dresses Special at \$8.75 and \$13.75

Think of getting such frocks full of new fashion features for as little as that!

They come from a maker who buys his materials in very large quantities and has made them up with ever so many of the new Spring fashion features.

There are six styles at \$8.75—of crepe de chine with lace and charmeuse.

Of those at \$12.75 there are nine styles—flowered taffetas, soft plain taffetas, charmeuse and net.

In the two groups together you will see ruffles and high crush girdles, scalloped tier skirts, short surplice waists, fur edges, circular overskirts, silver braiding and accordion pleatings with jet bead edges.

Every style is in a good range of evening colors.

(First Floor, Central)

Good Curtains for Many Windows Reduced

Many designs in wood silk, mercerized and tapestry-border curtains, only one pair of each pattern, but a large assemblage altogether at prices which will attract economical householders, as they are considerably below the regular markings.

\$3.50 to \$12.50 a pair.

(Fourth Floor, Chestnut)

Store Opens 8:30 A. M.

WANAMAKER'S

Store Closes 5:30 P. M.

WHITE SALE



There seems to be no limit to the waists—whether silk or cotton.

Lillian Corsets in the White Sale

Several dozens of fine Lillians are newly reduced to \$8 and \$13.50, first prices having been many dollars more.

A few Theo corsets also are reduced more than half—and may now be had for \$10. All broken sizes.

(Third Floor, Chestnut)

6000 Pair of House Slippers Down to 60c a Pair

Over 6000 pair of new style house slippers for men, women and children all marked 60c a pair—an average half price.

Felt slippers in various styles and colors, with leather soles and some with lambs' wool insoles.

Important—And an importation from Germany of some of those splendid blanket cloth slippers.

(Main Floor, Market)

Real Comfort and Real Saving in the Blanket Sale

Take your choice now from the showroom samples of thirty-five mills at 25 to 33½ per cent. less than the fair prices; or from 500 pair of blankets taken out of our own stocks and marked at the same reductions. The variety takes in part wool blankets at \$2.50 to \$12.50 a pair, with a dozen or so grades in between; and all-wool blankets at \$6.50 to \$35 a pair, with 14 different grades in between.

Of some kinds there are eight pair; of others there is but one pair. There are white, plaid, gray and crib blankets in the assortment.

(Fifth Floor, Market)

WHITE SALE



Together with sacques and wrappers and frilly negligees.

Mackinaw Coats Reduced

All the mackinaw coats in the Sporting Goods Store wear new low prices.

Good assortment of sizes and colors and styles and plenty of weather for them.

In fact, many men and girls wear these warm coats at the shore in summer in place of sweaters.

Prices now are \$5 to \$12.

(Subway Gallery, Chestnut)

The Fur Sale Is Going On

with good assortments of the staple, most-wanted small furs and fur coats.

It would pay people to buy these furs at their present prices, even if they had to store them, instead of having two or three months' wear ahead.

(Third Floor, Chestnut)

WHITE SALE



And all kinds of table linens, from 12½c towels to the richest damask.

WHITE SALE



Good undermuslins for children of all ages.

AT WANAMAKER'S